

Element Performance Inspection (EPI)

1.3.23 Short-Term Escalations (AW)

Purpose of this Element (Air Carrier's responsibility):

To ensure the Air Carrier follows its policies, procedures, and controls for Short-Term Escalation of maintenance/inspection intervals for an individual component, engine, or aircraft without adversely affecting safety as authorized by Operation Specification D076.

Objective (FAA responsibility):

To determine if the Air Carrier follows its policies, procedures, and controls for the Short-Term Escalation process.

Specific Instructions for this EPI:

To accomplish this EPI the inspector shall verify the Air Carrier follows its policies and procedures for the Short-Term Escalation program. The inspector shall verify records and determine the FAA has been notified in accordance with the Air Carrier's policies and procedures.

Related EPIs:

- 1.1.1 Aircraft Airworthiness (AW)
- 1.1.2 Appropriate Operational Equipment (AW)
- 1.2.1 Airworthiness Release / Logbook Entry (AW)
- 1.2.2 Major Repairs and Alterations Records (AW)
- 1.2.3 Maintenance Log / Recording Requirements (AW)
- 1.3.1 Maintenance Program (AW)
- 1.3.2 Inspection Program (AW)
- 1.3.5 MEL / CDL / Deferred Maintenance (AW)
- 1.3.6 AD Management (AW)
- 1.3.9 Engineering / Major Repairs and Alterations (AW)
- 1.3.14 General Maintenance Manual / Equivalent (AW)
- 1.3.15 Reliability Program (AW)
- 2.1.1 Manual Currency (AW / OP)
- 2.1.2 Content Consistency Across Manuals (AW / OP)
- 2.1.3 Distribution (Manuals) (AW / OP)
- 2.1.4 Availability (Manuals) (AW / OP)
- 4.2.1 Maintenance Training Program (AW)
- 5.1.8 Extended Range Operations with Two-Engine Airplanes (ETOPS) (AW)
- 5.1.9 RVSM Authorization (AW)
- 7.1.1 Director of Maintenance (AW)
- 7.1.2 Chief Inspector (AW)

Element Performance Inspection (EPI)
1.3.23 Short-Term Escalations (AW)

1.3.23 Short-Term Escalations

To meet this objective, the inspector will accomplish the following tasks (at the inspection locations where applicable):

1. Review the FAA Guidance included in the supplemental information section of this EPI.
2. Review the associated SAI, with emphasis on the Controls Attribute section.
3. Review the Short-Term Escalations policies and procedures.
4. Observe the Short-Term Escalation process.
5. Discuss the Short-Term Escalation procedures with appropriate personnel.
6. Review and assess records of the Short-Term Escalation process.

To meet this objective, the inspector will answer the following questions:

1. Were the following performance measures met:

<i>1.1 The Air Carrier complied with the Short-Term Escalation provisions of the Operations Specifications.</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> YES	If no, explain:
	<input type="checkbox"/> NO	

<i>1.2 The Air Carrier's personnel are trained in accordance with its policies and procedures.</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> YES	If no, explain:
	<input type="checkbox"/> NO	

<i>1.3 The Air Carrier informs the FAA CHDO when escalations are utilized.</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> YES	If no, explain:
	<input type="checkbox"/> NO	

<i>1.4 The Air Carrier's Short-Term Escalation documents were available to personnel identified in the Air Carrier's policies and procedures.</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> YES	If no, explain:
	<input type="checkbox"/> NO	

<i>1.5 The Air Carrier immediately notified the CHDO of any system failures or abnormalities in accordance with its policies and procedures.</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> YES	If no, explain:
	<input type="checkbox"/> NO	

2. Were the Short-Term Escalation procedures followed?	<input type="checkbox"/> YES	If no, explain:
	<input type="checkbox"/> NO	

3. Were the Short-Term Escalation controls followed?	<input type="checkbox"/> YES	If no, explain:
	<input type="checkbox"/> NO	

4. Did records comply with the Air Carrier's Short-Term Escalation policies and procedures?	<input type="checkbox"/> YES	If no, explain:
	<input type="checkbox"/> NO	

Element Performance Inspection (EPI)

1.3.23 Short-Term Escalations (AW)

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION

SRRs:

There are no Specific Regulatory Requirements for Short-Term Escalation; however, each aircraft released to service is airworthy and has been properly maintained in accordance with the Air Carrier maintenance/inspection program for operation under this part (14 CFR 121.367(c)).

Other CFRs and FAA Guidance:

- 14 CFR 121.363 (a, b), “Responsibility for airworthiness.”
- 14 CFR 121.367 (a, b), “Maintenance, preventive maintenance, and alterations programs.”
- FAA Order 8300.10, Vol. 2, Chap. 64, “Evaluate Continuous Airworthiness Maintenance Program/Revision.”
- FAA Order 8300.10, Vol. 2, Chap. 80, “Evaluate Short-Term Escalation Procedures.”
- FAA Order 8300.10, Vol. 2, Chap. 84, “FAR Part 121 Operations Specifications.” (Paragraphs D074, D075, and D076).
- HBAW 97-06, “FAA Policy Regarding Segmented Inspections and Built-In Inspections Tolerances (WINDOWS) in Continuous Airworthiness Maintenance Programs (CAMP).”
- Maintenance Planning Document (MPD).
- Refer to Advisory Circulars using a search engine (such as ATP Navigator or Summit).